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The Security Council,

Recalling its resolutions 1270 (1999) of 22 October 1999, 1289 (2000) of 7 February 2000, 1313 (2000) of 4 August 2000, 1317 (2000) of 5 September 2000, 1321 (2000) of 20 September 2000, the statement of its President of 3 November 2000 (S/PRST/2000/31), and all other relevant resolutions and the statements of its President concerning the situation in Sierra Leone,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General of 15 December 2000 (S/2000/1199),

1. *Expresses* its continued concern at the continuing fragile situation in Sierra Leone and neighbouring States;

2. *Takes note* of the ceasefire agreement signed in Abuja on 10 November 2000 between the Government of Sierra Leone and the Revolutionary United Front (RUF) (S/2000/1091), *expresses* its concern at the failure of the RUF fully to meet their obligations under the agreement, and *calls* on them to give a more convincing demonstration of commitment to the ceasefire and the peace process;

3. *Recalls* that the main objectives of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone (UNAMSIL), as set out in its resolution 1313 (2000) and confirmed in the concept of operations proposed by the Secretary-General in his report of 24 August 2000 (S/2000/832), remain to assist the efforts of the Government of Sierra Leone to extend State authority, restore law and order and further stabilize the situation progressively throughout the entire country and to assist in the promotion of the political process, leading to a renewed disarmament, demobilization and reintegration programme where possible, and *reiterates* that, to that end, the structure, capability, resources and mandate of UNAMSIL require appropriate strengthening;

4. *Commends* the continued efforts of the Secretary-General in that regard to seek further firm commitments of troops for UNAMSIL, *strongly urges* all States in a position to do so seriously to consider contributing peacekeeping forces for Sierra Leone, and *expresses* its appreciation to those States who have already made such offers;

5. *Expresses* its intention, in that context, following consultations with troop-contributing countries, to respond promptly to any additional specific

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recommendations made by the Secretary-General in the next period on the force strength and tasks of UNAMSIL;

6. *Decides* to extend the present mandate of UNAMSIL until 31 March 2001;

7. *Decides* to remain actively seized of the matter.